

~~72.~~ <sup>73</sup> (New) A catheter shaft as recited in claim ~~62~~ <sup>63</sup>, wherein said second tube proximal and distal portions have an inside layer formed of said second material and an outside tie-layer disposed over said inside layer.

B1 ~~73.~~ <sup>74</sup> (New) A catheter shaft as recited in claim ~~72~~ <sup>73</sup>, wherein said first material includes PEBA and said second material includes polyethylene, wherein said second tube outside tie-layer wall surface is heat bonded to said first tube inside wall PEBA surface proximate said orifice.

Remarks

Examination of Claims 48-73 in due course is respectfully requested. It is respectfully submitted that the claims are now in condition for allowance, issuance of a Notice of Allowance